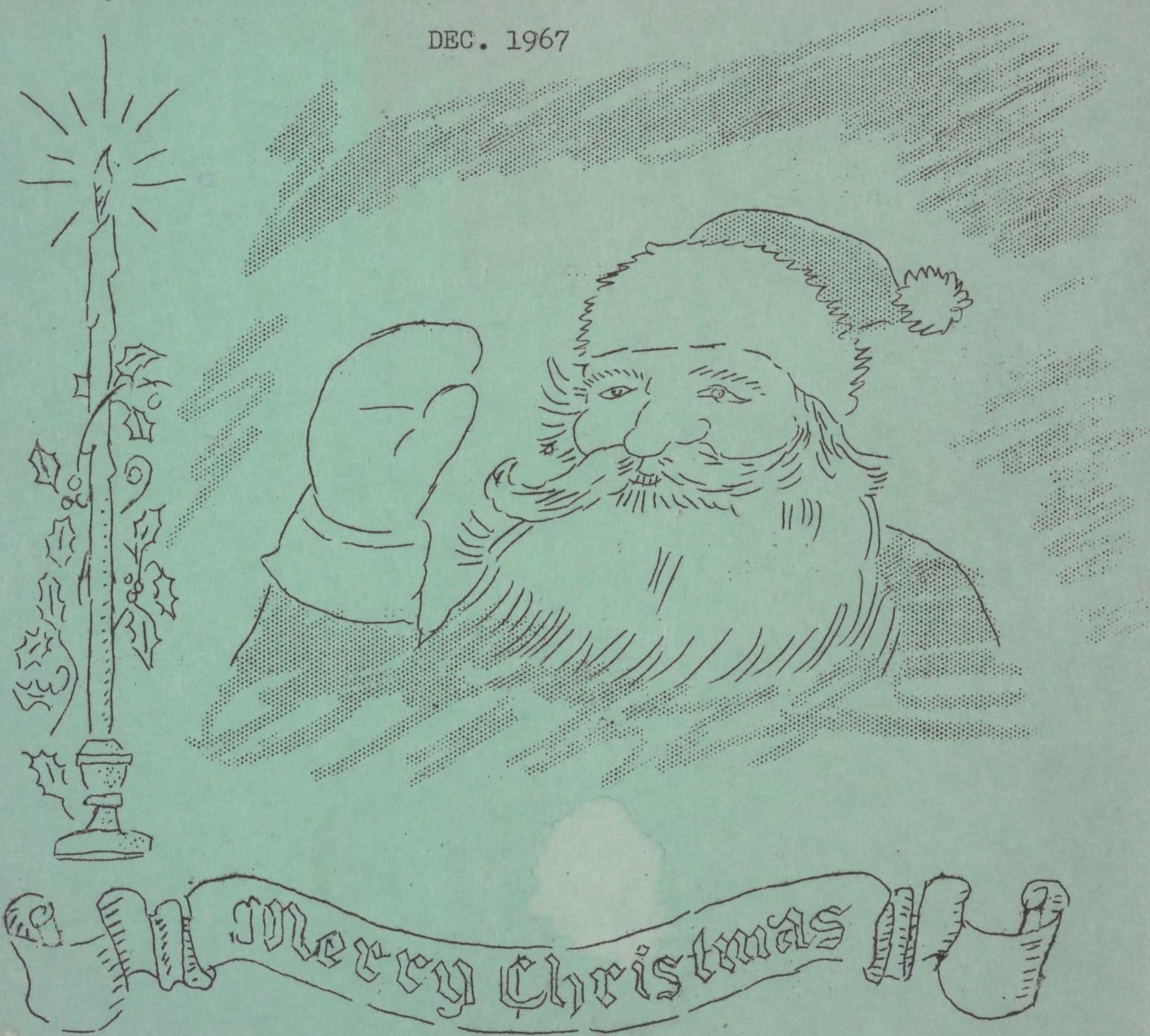


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EDITORIAL

Here we are, nearly the end of our centennial year. Quite a year it was too. With Gun Shows at Moose-jaw, Saskatoon, Swift current and Regina, I think we showed a large number of people that Guns are something else than a weapon for killing off each other.

In fact, if these people take the trouble to come to see a Show, they are the people who are going to take OUR side against any further anti-gun legislation.

Which brings up another point. Just because nothing new has been said about this menace, doesn't mean some joker somewhere isn't planning something bigger and even more menacing to collectors and sportsmen in Canada.

Meanwhile, we as a group, along with most other interested people in Canada are sitting on our fat behinds waiting for someone to read in a paper "Anti-gun Bill Passes Through Parliament". Then I suppose everyone will run around saying "Oh Dear", how come we didn't know about it."

Now at Swift Current, during the evening session that some of us were in on, talk eventually got around to this anti-gun bit, and one of the boys said he had some money in his pocket to fight this thing. Others agreed to this suggestion- that to fight this will require money. I think if someone would take the time and effort to come up with collecting pledges for money from interested parties, and did some research into how it could best be spent fighting this anti-gun law if it comes up, everyone concerned could at least breath a little easier. Ponder on that fellows.

At the bottom of the last Editorial is a little item starting "So lets look down the barrel from the end". Did you read it? I have since seen B.B. and it seems after he read it he would have gladly pulled the trigger if I had been looking down the barrel.

What gets me is that no one else said BOO.

In closing, I would like to say THANK YOU from the S.G.C.A. Officers, for your help and assistance in articles for "Gun Talk"; and with your help before, after and during the Shows; for your assistance in keeping this Association together, and for the friendships created.

In view of the recent articles in "Gun Talk" on the DIEPPE RAID, the readers might be interested in further material on the raid. I suggest you read the following;

"DIEPPE- THE SHAME AND THE GLORY" by Terence ROBERTSON (Pan book)
"RAID AT DIEPPE" -by Quentin REYNOLDS (Avon books)

RAMBLING

BY Don Hills, Secretary

Well fellow members, here it is- another issue of Gun Talk- by far the best publication put out by any association of Gun Collectors. But for how long can we expect Gun Talk to remain on top without articles from each and everyone of "US". I won't use the word "YOU" because I know I am just as bad as the rest when it comes to contributing articles.

Don't get me wrong- no one expects each and every member to write an article for each issue but if we all wrote one article even every year or two we would probably have to hire Bob Henderson and Lloyd Tallentire full time to put Gun Talk out.

As a collector I know that I am always interested in hearing about other collectors interests or latest acquisitions- so in other words write about any aspect of the collecting feild- do it now, not tomorrow.

Enough of the "article writing bit" for a few lines and on to the Gun Shows.

I am sure all who attended the Regina Show had a great time. Attendance this year was tremendous and it looks like our association is going to have all its shows rated as the BEST. Remember, try to attend the next show in or out of your area, you won't be sorry.

To close I would like to repeat a few words. Bob Henderson and Lloyd Tallentire put a lot of time a effort into producing Gun Talk- thus we have the "TOP" quality publication in the collecting feild- now lets get busy and give them the quantity they need to

make our magazine even better. Remember write an article for Gun Talk today- for tomorrow may be too late.

THE SMALL COLLECTOR

We may not win a trophy
When we go to a show

But what the hell,
We have our fun - that is why we go.

We can not judge a rifle
Or a sword up on a wall

But with our friends from S.G.C.A.
We really have a ball.

The social life is dandy
And quite a thing to see

What with the effects of good old hootch
Upon the rest of thee.

Slow witted in the morning
They try to trade a gun

It may not work, so what the heck
We're just out there for fun.

Apologies are due here
And this I'm sure you know,

We're not all like those fellows
Who are always on the go.

Three cheers for the Association
And the fellows that we know

We don't give a darn what they collect
Just so they're at our show.

GERMAN HELMETS ...by Bob HENDERSON

Most collectors of Military arms and accoutrements are familiar with the WW I German Trench Helmet. They have a fairly long visor or lip at the front, and have two "horns" protruding near the top sides of the helmet. These horns were for ventilation, and were also for hooking armour plating on to.

Another model was introduced for a very short period, and was identical to the above, but did not have the horns. This is a "transition" model, and is difficult to locate. Ventilation was obtained by having four sets of seven small holes in the helmet. These no doubt weakened the sides of the helmet and this resulted in a new model used throughout WW II.

The third model was introduced for wear in the Berlin, Germany Olympic Games. The visor or lip was shortened, and the four sets of holes for ventilation was replaced by a single hole (reinforced) on each side of the helmet.

There are numerous variations of helmets available to the collector. Colours range from khaki, blue, green, sand to white or a camouflage pattern.

Numerous types of insignia designated the service of the owner, -luftwaffe, railway police or army, etc.

The police and firemen wore identical type helmets, except the firemen had a metal comb located at the top centre running down the back of the helmet. This was fastened on through two holes in the top of the helmet. These holes are also found on helmets worn by police.

Luftschutz (air defence) helmets vary in shape, but are dark blue. They have spread wings and a swastika across the front, and usually have ventilation holes of the "transition" model.

Paratroop models are heavier, with a stubby lip or visor and a little drop at the side for ear protection.

Any helmet is worth time for a closer examination. I recently obtained one that had been painted pink and was being used for a flower pot. It was a police style, with holes in the top for the comb of a fireman, and the drop for ear protection at the sides was sharp, rather than a gentle curve. It will require a paint job but will do as a representative until I get one with original paint.

I have also run across helmets which have for some reason or other been repainted. Usually a sharp razor blade will peel off this house paint from the original, but patience is required to do a good job.

At the next gun show spend some time comparing helmets. You may find them as interesting as I do.

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Every year the Sask. farmer complained about the crops and the weather; it was too wet or too dry; there were too many weeds, or not enough box cars and prices were down..... But 1966 came and he got a bumper crop, markets were good, prices were high and his wallet was bulging.....

"Pretty good year you have to admit" a neighbour said.

"Fair to middling", the first farmer allowed, "But awful hard on the scil".

DIEPPE

Pte. Clarence Ovila BOURASSA
Regimental Number 1 12541
South Saskatchewan Regiment

Formerly of LAFLECHE, SASK:

The following article was submitted by Mrs. BOURASSA of Moose-Jaw , Sask. She had read the article " I WAS THERE" by R.G. NUNN in the June and Sept. issues of Gun Talk. She recognized Mr. Nunn's name as having been mentioned in letters from her late husband from overseas, and in checking, found they had billeted together in the same room.

Pte. BOURASSA was reported missing, then killed in action as a result of the DIEPPE raid, and his wife received a "last letter" mentioned in this article, that was to have been mailed if he was dead. She then received a telegram that he was safe in England.

This is HIS story-

One nice sunny afternoon we were told to get ready for a scheme. We got in the trucks and away we went. The first thing I knew we were on board ship and heading out to sea. No one knew what was up, and an officer came down to our deck and told us quietly that we were going to France.

I don't know just how I felt- all tight inside. So finally it had come- after waiting so long. We were going into action. I couldn't sleep, so sat around chatting and then went up to the stores where I met Cliff. We both wrote a farewell letter which was to be destroyed if we came out of the raid. It was a hard letter to write. When we were through, we both seemed tongue tied and all we did was shake hands and wish one another the best. I went down below and tried to get a little sleep.

Finally I dozed off to be rudely awakened from a dreamless sleep to hear "Get into your equipment; make sure you have everything." Everyone was checking ammunition, grenades and equipment. We knew it was a tough assignment we had. After a few restless minutes the orders came through "to your boat stations and prepare to leave ship". We did everything very quietly. Everyone seemed to be on tiptoes.

The boats were lowered and the motors were started and away we went. It was still pitch dark, the sea was very calm- just a pleasant enducing roll. I sat crouched in the rear of the assault boat with a stretcher across my knees; and to my surprise I had to be awakened before we landed. With it all I went to sleep, thank heaven for that.

The trip into France was quickly over. Then I got complete control of my senses. It was just breaking dawn and we were still quite a distance from the coast. A few minutes and the word came back "prepare to land". Then the scrape of gravel on the bottom of the boat and the clatter of the landing door dropping down and the rush of men from hundreds of boats over the beach raised an awful din.

I rushed up over the beach with rifle and stretcher till I came to a wall of concrete about eight feet high that ran along the seawall (beach). Some of the men went up the walls and were getting away the barbed wire.

Thousands of men were along this wall and not a single shot was fired at us until we were all under cover and most of us were over the wall and in among the buildings and then all hell broke loose. The ground seemed to heave and the air was just loaded with pressure that seemed to want to cave in. Frankly, I wasn't the least bit

scared as I was too busy trying to keep up with Company Headquarters with the stretcher. Finally we came to a stop. Our boys had taken a few buildings and were taking in prisoners and we hadn't a casualty yet. Our machine guns were spitting lead and fire for hundreds of yards around us, and everything seemed in our favor. Not much opposition to speak of and then CRASH, BOOM and all hell broke loose; The German mortars and artillery opened up on us and then things weren't so funny. I was standing back of a building and a bomb landed on the roof and blew a big hole in it. I was standing underneath the eaves and slate shingles started to come down by the thousands- a brick or two- and they all seemed to land on my head. Thanks to the steel helmet I was just driven to my knees, otherwise I would have been knocked flat.

Even with all this hell bursting loose the men kept their heads and went about their work grimly, never a word was said. All this time we stretcher bearers were waiting calls and we got plenty of them. I finally threw my rifle down. That is I left it at the R.A.P. and got busy carrying, and what a mess we had in the stretchers at times. It certainly was not pleasant to rush across open spaces with a man on the stretcher and bullets making the air crackle and gravel dance around our feet. Time and again we went out under the same circumstances.

It was gradually getting me, and my mouth was dry. Many times as we came back sweating and covered with casualties blood, I didn't think I could go out again, and then out of nowhere "stretcher bearer , stretcher bearer " would be called and we would go out again regardless of what the danger might be, We would go like frightened rabbits ducking behind anything we could hide behind till we found whoever was hurt.

Coming back was never pleasant by any means encumbered with the casualty and the air full of lead.

This kept on and on until I was so tired my will and Guardian Angel was all that kept me going. Finally word came along "We will evacuate at such and such a time from the same place we landed", so we started carrying all the casualties down to the protection of the same sea wall we had to scale coming in. We lined all the casualties side by side safe from everything but the air and relatively safe there too as our own planes were up there by the thousands it seemed.

The boats started coming into the teeth of it all. They came through a wall of lead and fire- not one turned back. Some sank but on they came and then the rush down the beach under continual fire. I can't quite recollect all that actually happened. All I know is that men fell all around. Dragging some back under cover, helping others into boats and still we had stretcher casualties yet to carry out. Well, they were eventually all loaded and more and more lay on the beach to be picked up. It seemed ages before we were all told to hit out for ourselves. All the stretcher bearers were still intact by some miracle and away I went like a deer down the beach to the only boat loading; the rest were all heading out to sea with mangled and limping men. I made the boat alright and it was stuck on a sand bar and we had to stand in water to our waists pushing, cursing and sweating trying to get the boat afloat.

All this time the Huns up on the cliffs were having a field day picking us off like clay pigeons. After ages the boat slipped off the bar and I started to clamber on and smack down I went under the water and came up dizzy as a coon. The boat was just

slipping by me and I made a grab at a rope and someone hauled me up. I no sooner got in under cover and the boat started to sink. I still had all my clothes and equipment on and my face was spurting blood. The boat was going down and down- what a scramble to get out. We were in deep water then, and I had an awful time shedding the ammunition that was in my pouches and equipment. My face was running with blood. It was impossible to swim with the weight.

The boat was just about gone when finally I got clear and dove into the water with my uniform and shoes on and found I couldn't swim very far with that on, so I dropped my tunic and tried taking my shoes off. A submarine had nothing on me. I was under water for hours it seemed trying to untie my shoe laces. I'd come up and gasp for air and I'd reach for the shoe lace again and down I'd go. I finally got them untied and then to get them off. That seemed just as hard. The shoes would insist on sticking to my socks. Finally they came free and I got my senses gathered together; no use getting rattled I thought- If I ever expected to get out alive- so I took stock-- I could see heads bobbing around in the water and the ships out about two miles away fighting a duel with German dive bombers. Regardless of the Huns insistant attacks and bombings, they represented safety. The water was sizzling and snapping with bullets from cliffs and some Huns. I'll bet were betting who would hit me first. Thank Heaven they were poor shots. I finally swam out of rifle range and safe from that, but was getting awful tired and my leg seemed awfully stiff and sore, and the ships were still as far away.

An assault boat was coming towards me as it was gathering up

swimmers, I was just getting within shouting distance and away it went leaving me and others still swimming. I was frantic and practically despairing of ever seeing England again; looking the other way another boat was coming up towards me and picked me out of the water. They tossed me a rope and started to drag me up but I hadn't enough strength to hang onto the rope, so I had to loop it under my arms to unceremoniously be dragged aboard. I hit the deck like a sack of spuds and just lay there. I was practically exhausted, half full of water and sick to my stomach. I really didn't come to my senses till someone was helping me aboard a destroyer and then I had a stiff dring of rum. That just about finished me off but when it got working I began to feel much better. Someone was pulling off my trousers and bandaging my chin and I had a look at my leg. It was bleeding slowly from half a dozen small wounds along the inside of my shin bone and my right arm was bleeding a little too, but the only thing more than a scratch was my chin, and that wasn't bad, so I felt pretty good about it all-relatively safe, but still the aeroplanes to contend with. All I can say is thanks to the good old navy or I wouldn't be here, They stayed within reach through hell and lost many men as well as ships to get us safely away which they did very well within reason.

Private BOURASSA was Killed In Action 20 JULY 1944, at Ifs, France.

-Reported missing 20 JULY 1944

-Official word received 25 AUG 1944

He was buried at Bretteville-Sur-Laize, a Canadian War Cemetery ten miles South of Caen, France.

EDGED WEAPONS FROM THE ANDY WRIGHT COLLECTION

Anyone familiar with the S.G.C.A. is aware of the tremendous displays of Nazi artifacts shown by Andy & Marg. WRIGHT of Swift-Current at various Gun Shows in Saskatchewan and Alberta.

A large portion of this display consists of Nazi edged weapons. Among edged weapon collectors in North America, the WRIGHT COLLECTION is rated as one of the best.

When talking of variations in this collection, a variation is not varied because of a different manufacturers stamp on the blade, but is a distinct and deliberate variation of blade design, etching, colour of handle or scabbard.

The workmanship and beauty of Nazi edged weapons can compare equally to edged weapons of any period in history. To realize the difficulty in obtaining or even locating variations to add to this collection is tremendous- in fact, keep track of how many Nazi daggers you see that are not in the collections for the next year, and you might have some idea what collectors of Nazi edged weapons are up against.

Prize daggers from the WRIGHT COLLECTION are;

a) GRAND ADMIRAL DOENITZ PRESENTATION DAGGER- presented to a Commander of a Nazi submarine on 9-5-1944. This is the ONLY dagger presented by Admiral DOENITZ, who, after HITLER'S death on 30 APR 1945, took command of German Military Forces and signed the surrender of Germany to the Allies.

This dagger has 16 diamonds in the pommel which form a swastica. The case has heavy gold plate. Its handle has gold oak leaves entwined around it, with the guard and pommel also being gold plated.

b) DUTCH NAZI PARTY HITLER YOUTH KNIFE- only two known to exist, one in the Andy WRIGHT Collection.

c) ERNST ROHM DAGGER- in excellent condition. See the March 1966 issue of "GUN TALK" for the full history.

d) An early issue of LUFTWAFFE DAGGER presented to a group of German fliers similar to our "Golden Hawks" aerobatic display team. Very few presentations of this type were made.

The list could continue! But at the next Gun Show, take a couple of hours and examine this display carefully. Any member of the WRIGHT family can tell you exactly what you want to know about each dagger.

Needless to say, a display of this size creates problems. Especially when you consider each blade must be polished prior to and after a show. Each must be wrapped separately to prevent damage to one another, and still be compact for transporting.

Displaying at shows has its own problems, as most of us are aware. If you have any ideas, Andy is open to suggestions.

THE SWIFT CURRENT GUN SHOW

Through the full efforts of Andy WRIGHT of Swift Current, the S.G.C.A. held its last Gun Show of the Centennial Year at the Swift Current Armouries on November 5th 1967.

The armouries were obtained through the co-operation of Ivor CLIFTON and Pat PATTERSON of Swift Current. The "Beta Sigma Phi-Preceptor Chapter", to who the proceeds of the Show were going, ably assisted the S.G.C.A. by supplying a snack bar and attending to the public at the entrance. Jack SMITH representing the Centennial Committee from Swift Current chose the Centennial Display and presented the trophies.

With a full turnout by collectors at the show, the large public who attended the show certainly were no disappointed with the quality and quantity of the displays.

This was Swift Current's first Gun Show, and considering the competition with the Football game, besides the limited admission time for the public attendance, we must certainly class the whole effort as a huge success.

Category Winner's Were;

RELATED MILITARY....1st. ANDY WRIGHT.....SWIFT CURRENT
2nd. BOB HENDERSON.....REGINA

GENERAL HAND GUNS...1st. RON HILL.....MOOSE JAW
2nd. ROY HANLON.....MEDICINE HAT

MILITARY MEDALS....1st. RENE GAUDRY.....REGINA
2nd. BOB HENDERSON.....REGINA

LEVER ACTION.....1st. DUNLAPS.....SASKATOON
2nd. DOUG RIDGEWELL....SASKATOON

MILITARY ARMS.....1st. LES SMITH.....SASKATOON
2nd. GARY OWENS.....NORTH BATTLEFORD

CARTRIDGES.....1st. HARVEY PICKETT....MAPLE CREEK
2nd. C.W. BAILEY.....SHAUNAVON

INDIAN ARTIFACTS....1st. MARWOOD MEACOCK...PIAPOT
2nd. RENE GAUDRY.....REGINA

MIXED LONGARMS.....1st. MAX MIRAU.....SWIFT CURRENT
2nd. H. & W. BAILEY.....SHAUNAVON

EDGE WEAPONS.....1st. GIL COOK.....REGINA
2nd. ANDY WRIGHT.....SWIFT CURRENT

RELATED ITEM (reloading tools etc.)
1st. BEN BRODERICK.....CONSUL

CENTENNIAL TROPHY..... RENE GAUDRY.....REGINA

SPANISH COPY OF THE MODEL 1873 WINCHESTER

by Ben BRODERICK

In 1878 and 1879, Winchester Factory received orders from the Spanish Government for a special order carbine and musket. Factory records indicate that sometime later, 730 carbines and 100 muskets were shipped to Spain incorporating their special ordered features.

The original Winchester Spanish carbine had a barrel length of twenty-two inches. The fore end extended to within three and one quarter inches of the muzzle and had a steel fore end cap similar to the 1876 Winchester carbine. There was one barrel band and a cleaning rod fit into the fore end to the rear of the barrel and was exposed from the band to the front of the fore end. The receiver was milled out in front of the loading port and the carbine was equipped with swivels. There was no lever latch supplied and unlike the copy, an annular bayonet would fit the original Winchester carbine.

The carbine featured here was made in Oviedo, Spain and is one of the earlier copies. The top tang bears the inscription "Artilleria" over the word "Oviedo 1892". The gun's overall length is $38\frac{1}{2}$ inches with a barrel length of 20 inches. It weighs approximately 6 pounds and has a magazine capacity of nine 44-40 cartridges. The fore end is $17\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length including the steel fore end cap. This cap is held in place by a screw through a lug attached to the underside of the barrel. The magazine tube is located inside the fore end and is $16\frac{3}{4}$ inches in length and made of rolled brass. The fore end has one barrel band located $7\frac{3}{8}$ inches ahead of the receiver. It is held in place by a bandspring located on the right side of the fore end.

The front sight is of the post type similar to the 1873 Winchester musket and the later carbine sight. The rear sight is the adjustable leaf type having graduations of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. The sight is similar but not identical to the later 1873 Winchester musket sight and is attached to the barrel by 2 screws.

The barrel is 1 inch in diameter at the receiver and $5/8$ in. diameter at the muzzle, which is slightly crowned. The barrel shank is quite heavy and is finely threaded. The rifling is of a shallow type with 5 lands and grooves of approximately the same width. There are no barrel markings.

The receiver is the first type 1873 Winchester receiver, the hammer being held in place by an external screw and the lower tang screws being under the hammer screw. The lower tang has the 1873 Winchester trigger block safety and the later model 1873 lever latch. There is no serial number on the bottom tang. The trigger is held in place by an internal pin. The loading port is secured by a screw on the outside similar to the early model 1873 Winchesters. The receiver is not milled away in front of the loading port as were the original Winchester Spanish model carbines. The top of the receiver has provisions for a dust cover, although there are no marks on the receiver showing that a dust cover or guide were ever installed on this carbine. The cover guide was secured to the receiver by 2 screws the same as some of the 1873 Winchester dust cover guides.

Internal examination shows overall good workmanship with the exception of the inside faces of the side plates. These show coarse filing marks and one side plate does not fit exactly to the receiver. All parts except springs and screws bear the number 517. There is a firing pin retractor similar to the later 1873 Winchesters which draws back the firing pin into the bolt face when the action is opened. A bushing is located around the firing pin in the bolt face similar to the early 1873 Winchesters.

The stocks are made from straight grain walnut and have a lacquer type finish. The stock is similar to the 1873 carbine stock with a plain steel butt plate, but has no trap door for a cleaning rod. The stock bears number 1736 on the right side just ahead of the butt plate. Unlike the Winchester Spanish model carbine, this gun has no wiping rod channel in the fore end, and no saddle ring swivels.

The barrel on this carbine bears almost all of it's original blue which is dark blue black and not the bright blue as used by the Winchester factory. It is in excellent working condition with a very good bore and when obtained, it was found the firing pin was broken. As well, the magazine follower was jammed and this possibly accounts for it's condition.

It is interesting to note that this carbine incorporates many variations of the 1873 Winchester, from the earliest type receiver to the later type trigger block safety. The bushing in the bolt face is of the earliest variation and yet the bolt is equipped with a firing pin extractor which is a later feature of the 1873 Winchester. This is a true infringement of the Winchester 1873 model carbine and an interesting item to any Winchester collection.

Authors note; It is requested that anyone having a Spanish copy or an original Winchester Spanish model carbine contact the writer;.

Pictures of the above mentioned guns will be found on the next page.



MERRY CHRISTMAS
from the

members of the

Saskatchewan Gun Collectors
Assoc:

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL REVENUE
customs and excise

Mr. W.R. Cline
c/o R.C.M.P. Hwy. Patrol
North Battleford, Sask.

Ottawa 2
April 28, 1967.

Dear Sir:-

This refers to your letter to the Department dated April 19/67 requesting the tariff classification and duties payable on importations of Nazi war materials imported from the U.S.A. for use in a private collection.

These items are not admissible free of duty under tariff item 69210-1 but are dutiable according to material. Only trophies of war obtained on the field of battle by the importer and brought into Canada and retained by him for his own use are admissible under tariff item 69210-1.

The items listed in your letter, when imported from U.S.A., are dutiable under the Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff, as follows;

Nazi Battle Flags and Uniforms, according to the textile fibre of construction;

if cotton.....	tariff item 52305-1 @ 25% ad valorem.
if wool.....	tariff item 53305-1 @ 27½% ad valorem.
if silk	tariff item 55303-1 @ 30% ad velorem.
if man made fibres	tariff item 56300-1 @ 27½% ad velorem.
knitted articles, of any fibre	tariff item 56805-1 @ 35% ad velorem.
gloves, of all kinds	tariff item 56830-1 @ 25% ad velorem.
caps	tariff item 56910-1 @ 30% ad velorem.
dress daggers and steel helmets ...	tariff item 44603-1 @ 22½% ad velorem.
Nazi medals	tariff item 69200-1 free of duty and sales tax.
Nazi decorations and insignia	tariff item 57800-1 @ 27½% ad velorem.

Nazi war material, not specified, is dutiable according to the material of construction. Specific information is necessary to establish the tariff items involved.

The collector at North Battleford will be able to establish the tariff items applicable when this information is provided.

Sales tax of 12% on the duty paid value (value for duty plus duty) is applicable on all the items mentioned with the exception of the medals, which are free of duty and tax.

R. Howarth,
Dominion Customs Appraiser.

THEY HAVE LOOSENERED UP

To all gun and antique collectors.....TAKE NOTE.....

Canadian Customs have changed their ruling and decided any article 100 years or older is classified as ANTIQUE + and consequently duty, sales and excise tax free, as long as you can produce a certificate as to age or you can prove to them it is 100 years or older. For example- brass framed 1866 rifles are stamped 1866. Some revolvers are stamped as to date of manufacture or model and so on.

This will make it easier on the traders or buyers as there is just the exchange on Canadian money and shipping charges to worry about .

Ron HILL

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TO THE EDITOR

I would like to congratulate you on the good work you are doing in editing our magazine "Gun Talk". I also think the article of June issue "I Was There " is a tremendous account of how war time really is. I think this is a real addition to our quarterly.

Thanks Again

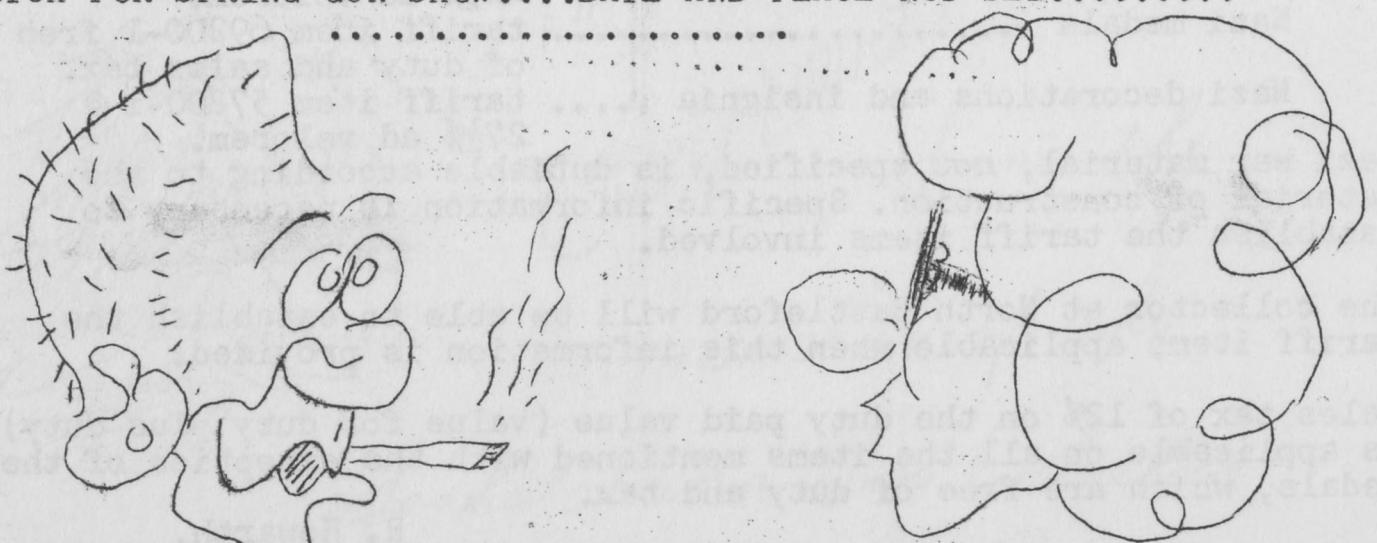
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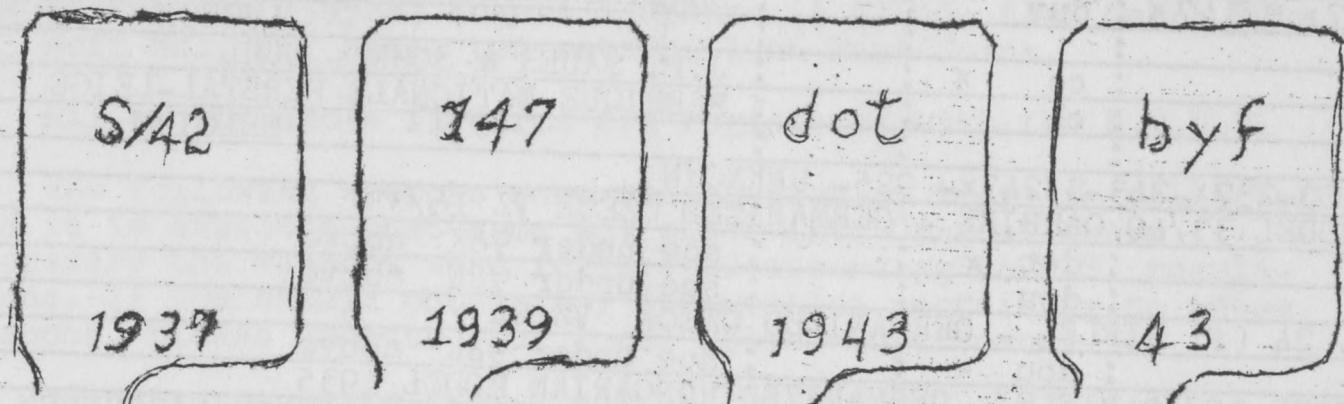


Look Lady, ! I don't want to buy an old "HENRY"; I want ammunition-
bullets !- How much did you say you wanted for your Gun???????????

GERMAN RIFLE CODES 1935-45

by Norman MILLER

Collectors of Military small arms and accessories will have noticed that German Ordinance manufactured during the Nazi era is marked with code numbers and/or letters stamped on each piece. On bolt action rifles it is found on the top of the receiver ring, while on the K 43 rifle it is found on the left side of the receiver, directly below the rear sight. These codes, usually found in conjunction with a year date, identify the maker and year of manufacture.



All the lists of small arms manufacturers codes I have had access to gave the code and corresponding makers name and address with no information as to what each produced. Some firms manufactured only one type of firearm, others several types and still others bayonets, magazines, accessories and parts.

In an effort to determine who made what, I have compiled a chart of all known (by myself) makers of German Mauser K98 and substitute standard rifles as made for and used by the German Armed Forces immediately previous to and during World War II.

Those marked with an X have been confirmed in existence with specimens in my collection, or I have seen elsewhere.

The code lists I have reference to are complete insofar as the past 1940 letter codes are concerned. Information on the earlier number codes is very sketchy or omitted entirely. One popular reference book lists half a dozen number codes and says they are all Mauser Werske. I know for a fact at least one of them is the Styr plant in Australia.

In an effort to gather a complete and accurate list of all manufacturers of rifles for the German Army in World War II, I request that any members of the S.G.C.A., or interested person, having a German rifle with a code number not listed here, or who can supply information on the names of manufacturers I have omitted, please write to me at NEUDORF? SASK., giving the code number, date of manufacture and any other pertinent information.

Thank You

Since writing this article I have acquired a Mauser K98 rifle that does not conform to the above. It has BSW in capital letters where the code number usually is and the date 1939, yet. A little research uncovered the fact that this is not the code but the actual initials of the maker.

Tipper Your

DATE - 1935-40. 1941-45. 1945	MAKER
MODEL 98 K MAUSER RIFLES	
42: S/42 x : byf	: MAUSER WERKE - OBERNDORF
	: MAUSER WERKE - BERLIN (SPANDAU)
S/27 x : ayf	: B. GEIPEL G.M.B.H. WAFFENFABRIK
	: ERMA - ERFURT
	: GUSTLOFF WERKE - WEIMAR
660 x : bnz	: STEYR - DAIMLER PUCH A.G. STEYR AUST.
945 : dot x :	: WAFFENFABRIK BRUNN A.G. BRNO CZECK.
	: WAFFENFABRIK BRUNN A.G. BYSTRICA "
	: C.G. HAENEL WAFFENFABRIK SUHL
147, S/147 x : duv	: BERLINER-LUBECKER MASCHINEN FABRIKEN
	: LUBECK
	: J.P. SAUER & SOHN - SUHL
	: FABRIQUE NATIONALE HERSTAL - LEIGE
	: BELGIUM

100-237x-243-S/243x- 925- UNKNOWN

MODEL 33/40 CARBINE - GERMANIZED CZECK VZ 16/33

- : dot x : : see under 98K above
: dou : : see under 98K above

G. 24 (f) RIFLE - GERMANIZED CZECK VZ 24

- : dou x : : see under 98K above

MODEL 98/40 RIFLE - GERMANIZED HUNGARIAN MODEL 1935

- : jhv x : : METALLWAREN WAFFEN UND MASCHINEN
: : FABRIKEN - BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

NORWEGIAN KRAG - short rifle 6.5 x 55

- : nb x : : WAPPENFABRIK - KONGSBERG, NORWAY

GERMAN MODEL G or K-43 - SEMI AUTO RIFLE

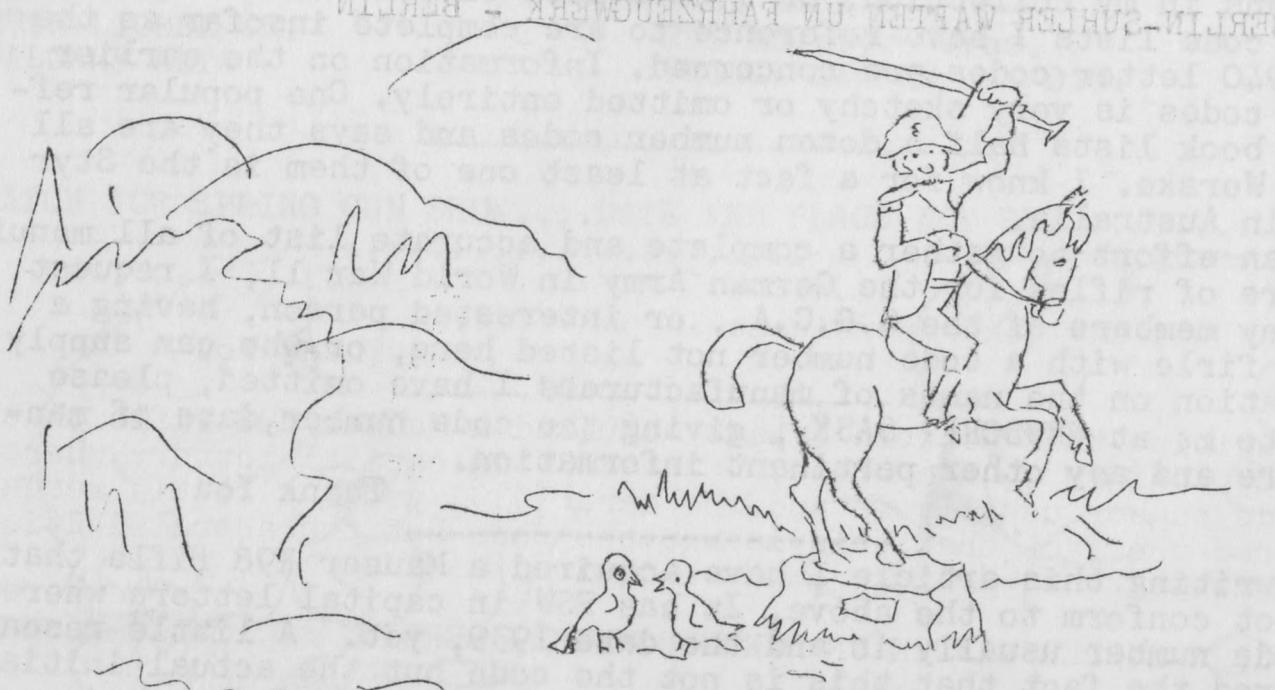
not made before 1943 : ac x : gvc : KARL WALTHER WAFFENFABRIK

" : bcd : : ZELLA-MEHLIS

" : duv : : GUSTLOFF WERKE - WEIMAR

" : : : BERLINER-LUBECKER MASCHINEN

" : : : FABRIKEN LUBECK



LET'S GO HOMER, I'M TOO HUNGRY

To WAIT ANY LONGER

The following weapons were stolen from an Oakville apartment. If you should obtain any information pertaining to any of these weapons, contact your local OPP Detachment.

S&W 22 Rev. #34204; S&W Rev. #86998; S&W 32 Rev. #13994; Colt 31 Rev. #264173; Colt 38 Rev. Lightening, #16253; Colt 38 Rev. Bisley, #292509; Colt 22 Rev. #37107; Colt 36, Pol. Rev. #25133; Colt 36 Rev. #34637 Mdl. 1862; Hopkins & Allen 32 Rev. #6866, Presentation; Remington 32 Rev. #'s 25853 & 2455, Mdl. 1858; Allen & Thruber 32 Rev. #507, Pepper Pot; Remington 44 Rev. Army, #117786; Webley 32 Auto. Mdl. 2750 #109209; Belgian 22 Rev. Slon Mdl. #16; S&W 44 Russian #39588; Rogers & Spence 44 #2156; Alsa Caron Pistol 45, Muff Mdl. #1; also, ten sets of 1966 Mint Coins.

All of the above firearms are registered with the R.C.M.P.

The following weapons were stolen from an American collector and it is expected that some may enter into Canada. Where necessary the weapons were registered according to U.S. regulations. If you should obtain any information pertaining to these weapons, please contact your local Police Department.

Jap Rifle Type 38 #1234, 6.5; Jap Rifle Type 99 #51094; Jap Rifle Type 38 Training #43, 6.5; Jap Rifle Type '1' #F8843; Jap Rifle Type 13 #76265, 7.7; Jap Rifle Type 35 #265957, 6.5; Jap Rifle Type 44, #3302, 7.7; Jap Rifle Type 97 Sniper, #13935; Jap Rifle Type '2', #10765, 7.7; Jap Rifle Type 99 Sniper, #?; Jap Pistol Type 94 #27789, 8mm. Nambu; Jap Rev. Type 1893 #58904, 9mm.

Russian Rifles M-31/90, 7.62, #'s 43399 & 47006; Italian Carcano, M-1891, #BK8964; German 98K #5950; Steyr M-95, #63538, 8X50mm. Italian Carcano M-38, #8548; German P-38 Pistol, #7250b; Swedish M-11 Rifle, #265957; Greek Carbine, #3048a; Two British Lee Metford Rifles, Grenade Launcher Types, #'s 230 & 775; Swiss M-11 Rifle #511885; Snider Carbine, no number; Persian Carbine, #19422; German K-43 Rifles, #'s 6096 & ?; Brno Prototype rifle in 7.92mm.

Three German MG-34 LMG's, #'s 5712, 8979a & 6618a; German Machine Pistol MP-40, #30219 DEWAT; Browning Automatic Rifle, #77660; Italian SMG M38/42, #c361, DEWAT; Danish Madsen SMG's, #144484 & 44490; Savage Lewis Gun, #2593, DEWAT; German AR, MP-44's #'s 8028g/44 & 30541/45; Russian LMG, Degtyarev, #E 430; Thompson SMG's, M-1, #153594 & M-1A1, #224191; Rare tripod for MG-34.

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On the preceding page is the photo of the Rye Fed Turkey won on the raffle at the Swift Current Gun Show by Les Smith of Saskatoon, a member of our association.

A remark by Les and his wife Madeline;

"We are going to try and keep it on ice until Xmas, but it's a little too big even for our largest platter, so will maybe shave it down just a little."

Photo credit goes to the Smiths 8 year old son. WELL DONE.

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This is our last edition for 1967. Our next journal comes out in March so PLEASE pay up your membership dues, and see how many of you old members can round up another "gun bug" for our association. The more the merrier.

Please send in your wants and trades and any newsworthy items you may have. Remember, your magazine is only as good as the members make it.

I realize there have been a few boo boos in the magazine from time to time during this past year, but as I can't blame my wife for this one, I will have to take the blame. I'm quite new at this publishing game but if you will all bide with me I am hopefull it will get better with each edition.

A MERRY XMAS TO ALL . By the way , looking at the preceding pictures, I am sure you all have an idea where you would like to be for xmas, I DO.

Your Publisher

Lloyd Tallentire

The members of the Preceptor Gamma Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, wish to thank your organization for the opportunity to provide the coffee and donuts for your recent show at Swift Current. If called upon again to help, we would be glad to provide sandwiches for those setting up there exhibits in the morning.

The money we realized will go to a worthy cause.

Sec; Jean C. KORVEN

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A LAST MINUTE AD

FOR SALE: Ross Rifles and Mounted Police weapons.

Roger Phillips
64 Bobolink Bay
Regina, Sask;



WANTS OR TRADES

WANTED: Accoutrements of the Civil War ! buttons, badges, books, pictures, papers, cartridges and cap pouches, anything pertaining to the war years of 1861-1865.

L.J. SMITH
411 Izabella St. E. Saskatoon, Sk.

WANTED: Barrel for model 95 Winchester; 30 U.S. cal. bolt for .22 Ross rifle; need Vickers Machine Gun, also Lewis Machine Gun.

M. WYTOSKY
907- 1st. St. E. Prince Albert, Sk.

WANTED: Any Indian items.

CPL. I.G. FORD
PMQ 166 BUSHELL PARK
CFB MOOSE-JAW, SK. PH. 692 9865

WANTED: Edge weapons, military medals. will BUY or TRADE.

R.R. GAUDRY
4408- 2nd. Ave. N. Regina, SK.

WANTED: Canadian Mounted Police weapons, handguns and rifles. Also historical books, information, uniforms and badges etc. Have a few items to trade including an odd Winchester.

MAX MIRAU

FOR SALE: 1876- $\frac{1}{2}$ mag- 26" round barrel - shot gun butt cal. 45-60 excellent mechanism. wood good but think butt has been replaced many years ago. Would like to use this as trade against needed M.P. rifles or handguns. Also 1 box 45-60 WRA cartridges in original box

Max MIRAU
179- 5th Ave. N.E.
Swift Current PH; 773-4401

WANTED: British Military Rifles, Bayonets, swords and campaign medals. especially want;

Star Carbine 56-52 R/F Westly Richards Rifle 45 cal.
Spencer Rifle 56-50 R/F S.M.L.E. MK VI
Spencer Carb. 56-50 R/F S.M.L.E. No. 7,8,9.
Snider Enfield Carbine (not saddle ring, or cadet)
Snider Enfield Artillery Carbine 24" bbl.
Winchester Carbine 1876 45-75 cal.
Ross Rifles 1905 MK II

JAMES W. LANG
BOX 427
KELOWNA, B.C.

WANTS & TRADES

FOR TRADE:

Winchester 1873 #130284A 32-20 cal. 24" rd.bbl full mag ex. cond. This weapon was won by a Bisley shooter and has been used very little since.

Winchester 1873 #39894 44-40 24" hex bbl full mag. tight action good wd & bore dirty from age but will clean to gx to VG

Winchester 1894 #7442 38-55 take dn 26" hex bbl. full mag good throughout with ex wood- missing load gate cover
Ross sporter model R 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ " bbl 303 cal. should clean to good-- will trade for 1905 Ross full Military
Martini Metford Rifle 303 cal. this weapon has DC and RRCI markings on stock and is described on pge. 37 Milt. Arms of Canada. A very good specimen for a Canadian Military collector. vg

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